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The settlement does not open up competition - it still allows Microsoft? to bully & exclude others from developing software that would give us - the consumer - choices. A mild example is their recent activity concerning a Linux (an operating system) application that would allow Linux users to run Windows? products within a Linux environment. The app is called Lindows and Microsoft's? reasoning is that the consumer would be "confused" between Windows? and Lindows! They have demanded & gotten the email list (including the messages - not just the addresses!) of anyone that wrote Lindows expressing an interest in the product!

This is a mild example of the type of behavior Microsoft? is known for within the industry (intimidation via legal suits etc. that many small companies simply cannot afford to fight!) & was supposedly being stopped.

Please modify the settlement to make it clear to Microsoft? that competition is acceptable but being a bully is NOT!

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